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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing references that are also enclosed. Pursuant to 37 °C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3), Applicant submits a concise explanation of the relevance of each of the foreign patents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 which are not in the English language as follows:

French Patent No. 2,410,998, issued to Perrin, relates to a connector for a prosthetic device.

Russian Patent No. 137,843, relates to an elastic element connected between a leg and a prosthetic foot.

Russian Patent No. 560,606, relates to a prosthetic foot.

Russian Patent No. SU 1391-643 A, relates to a talocrural joint.

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Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this Statement is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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